

Remember Our Fallen Soldiers on Memorial Day



Ceremonies are held throughout the United States on Memorial Day to honor those who died in service to our country.

The national holiday we now call Memorial Day was first named Decoration Day. Women used flowers

to ‘decorate’ the graves of the fallen soldiers of the Civil War to honor their service to our country.

Although there is some debate of the location of the first Memorial Day, the holiday was first officially

proclaimed on May 5, 1868 by General John Logan in his ‘General Order No. 11.’ On May 30, 1868 in Arlington National Cemetery, the first Memorial Day was observed when flowers were placed on the graves of the Union and Confederate soldiers.

The most important thing to remember is that we should honor our soldiers who gave their lives for our country. When planning this years Memorial Day parties or barbecues, remember our fallen soldiers in your plans.

In December of 2000, a National Moment of Remembrance resolution was passed to remind Americans of the meaning of Memorial Day. At 3:00 PM local time, Americans are asked “To voluntarily and informally observe in their

own way a moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to ‘Taps.’ Have a safe and happy Memorial Day while remembering our fallen soldiers who gave it all for our country.

During patriotic holidays such as Memorial Day, it is customary to fly Old Glory. If displaying an American flag on your porch or a wall, be sure to follow flag display guidelines.

If hung from a staff, the flag should hang at an upward angle from a wall or porch. The blue area should be at the top of the staff with the flag not touching the ground.

If displaying a flag on a wall or hung between two

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Memorial Day Ceremonies at Forest Lawn Cemetery

On Monday, May 26th, the Erie County American Legion will host its annual ceremony to honor, recognize and salute veterans.

At 8:30 am flags will be placed on the graves of all veterans buried in the Field of Valor and the Veterans section of Forest Lawn. At 9:00 am, the Erie County American Legion will host its annual Memorial Day ceremony in front of the



American Legion Memorial Monument in the Veterans Section of the cemetery, near the Main Street gate. This event is free and open to the public; all are wel-

come.

As one of the first deliberately designed and professionally landscaped rural cemeteries in the United States, Forest Lawn is at the heart of Western New York’s cultural tourism renaissance. Its first interment took place in 1850; today there are 162,000 plus permanent residents in the 269 acre not-for-profit cemetery serving all faiths.








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Memorial Day Section

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The Adventures of...

Rocket Man

by Doug Smith



Island's Jewish Homeland

Nearly 200 years ago, American visionary Mordecai Noah brainstormed a Jewish homeland, a “refuge,” on Grand Island. He would call it “Ararat.”

Unlike the Ark, it never got off the ground. Reportedly, Mr. Noah never even visited Grand Island. (Perhaps he got stuck in traffic.) Nevertheless, its cornerstone rests in the Buffalo History Museum. An administrator at the Jewish Center in Getzville told Rocket Man last week that every time she crosses the bridge with her family, she mentions that sliver of history.

But now Ararat virtually lives. Two educators from Toronto, artist Melissa Shiff and her husband historian Louis Kaplan, visited last weekend, along with a small camera crew, to “augment” its landscape with what-if Ararat sites – a tidy synagogue, a movie theater, a billboard congratulating Ararat athletes on their success in the Sochi Olympics.

As Kaplan explained, “Augments are generated

by Melissa and her team using the 3D modelling program Maya. These virtual models are then uploaded to a server and placed on Grand Island using geo locational software.”

Last week they invited Rocket Man and his First Mate to eavesdrop in the shadow of the Byblos Resort, itself named for a Lebanese seaside resort city. On their i-pads and business cards, they showed the images of “Mapping Ararat.” A few years ago, Rocket Man had shot some covered-bridge reflections through his driver’s side mirror. That’s exactly what these looked like – Utopia in a rear-view.

A card-carrying cyberdunce, he cannot claim to understand how this works. (That’s why God invented grandchildren.) Basically, it’s an “app,” downloadable, for free, and providing a 24-venue (so far) tour of what they envision as Mordecai Noah’s dream come true.

Go to mappingararat.com but budget some time, it’s addictive, some images solemn, some whimsical -- the Red Jacket Kosher

Casino & Spa (“lose weight, win money”), the Noah’s Ark Theme Park (featured attraction: the waterslide) and a new movie musical, “The Wandering Boys,” book and lyrics by M. H. Noah.


It’s a tough act to follow, but with apologies to midnight TV, here are the top 10 other changes if Grand Island became the new Promised Land:

- Out: Tim Horton’s. In: Bagel Jays.
- Instead of St. Stephen staging “Fiddler on the Roof” (which it did), Temple Beth Mordecai presents “Jesus Christ Superstar.”
- Dick & Jenny’s Creole latkas.
- Adrian’s “milk and honey” twist. (Maybe at Hannah’s, too)
- Theodore’s Kosher Hots.
- He Brew at the Village Inn (or Wellington Pub).
- Levi’s Country Store.
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The Grapevine

The Clarence Kiwanis Club and Autism Services, Inc. in cooperation with the Viking Lobster Company will host a fundraiser for Autism Services, Inc.

This event will be held on Sunday, May 25, 2014, from 2 pm until 8 pm at Autism Services, Inc., located at 4444 Bryant and Stratton Way in Williamsville. Tickets are \$50.00 each and are redeemable for either a Lobster or Snow Crab Feast, which includes mussels, clams, salad, corn and coleslaw. Seafood may be substituted with a choice of BBQ ribs, chicken or steak. A la carte items including hot dogs, sausage, shrimp, chicken, corn, and salads will be available, and non-alcoholic beverages will be sold. All proceeds will benefit Autism Services, Inc. Please call 716-361-5764 or 716-759-1571 for ticket

information or visit www.autisticservices.org.

The Niagara Branch Library is offering programs for children and families . On Tuesday May 27th, the Día Family Book Club will meet at 6:30 pm. Children will hear the book *Wangari's Trees of Peace*, about Nobel Peace Prize winner Wangari Maathai of Kenya. Kids can plant their own "crops" that will grow in the library. Each family will receive a copy of the book to take home.

At 5:30 pm on Tuesday, May 27th, Nels Ross of In Jest will present Science Circus in the library's auditorium. As Nels displays juggling and comedy skills, kids will learn about force, motion and energy. These programs are free and open to the public, but registration is limited. Please call 882-1537 to sign up.

BUFFALO TRIVIA

by Joe Bortz

So this week we will do something a bit different. Years ago we had young people deliver the Rocket door to door. Thursday was payday and these kids, boys and girls, would line up and wait for me to come back from the bank with cash. It was a regular ritual and went on for years. I am sure some of the delivery people would still remember the scene. One of the things I used to like to do was play with their last names and I will not go into that. It was done in fun and although they did not seem to mind, some people do not like having their name altered. So the practice ceased. What I would like to do this week is play a little with commonly used men's nick names. These are all common and well used nick names. Not intended for any one person and not intended to be offensive. As an example. Something you talk into? Mike! So here we go.

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|-----------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| 1. Kind of horse | _____ | 11. To make the hole | _____ |
| 2. Kind of cat | _____ | 12. Kind of moss | _____ |
| 3. Put this in a hole | _____ | 13. Drop of golden sun | _____ |
| 4. Facility | _____ | 14. Scratch or small dent | _____ |
| 5. Up and down | _____ | 15. Detective | _____ |
| 6. Rembrandt | _____ | 16. Leg parts | _____ |
| 7. Goat | _____ | 17. Big clock | _____ |
| 8. To pry open | _____ | 18. Put in the hole | _____ |
| 9. Water temperature | _____ | 19. Blemish | _____ |
| 10. Back exercise | _____ | 20. Put your shirt on | _____ |

Too easy you say? I am allowed what is called writer's freedom. Which means the names do not have to match the spelling correctly. If you got all 15 right, you think like me. Half right you are smarter than me. Less than five, you are too educated to do my trivia. Want to have some fun? Go to the Rocket web page and cut and paste this trivia. Email it to your friends or put it on Facebook and see if there are any "likes." If you do not get them all, the answers will be in next week's Rocket. Let me know. JB

LAST WEEKS ANSWERS: *Pirates would love this road – Rumsey, Summer residence – Cottage, Desired for etching – Inwood, Famous rivers – Potomac, Delaware, Niagara, Scott who missed – Norwood, Songwriter, Berlin – Irving, Seattle vs the Bills in Super Bowl – Woodbury, Comic strip detective – Tracy, One of the flock (easy) - Bird, Mary has one – Garden, Bostonians do with their caa – Park, Extravaganza 5th month – Mayfair, Burnt out area – Ashland, Season (too easy) – Summer, NFL team – Oakland.*

Check next week's ROCKET for the answers.

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Memorial Day

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If hung in a window, the blue area should be viewable to the top left of the outside of the building.

The remembrance

poppy (a *Papaver rhoeas*) has been used since 1920 to commemorate soldiers who have died in war. Inspired by the World War I poem "In Flanders Fields", they were first used by the American Legion to commemorate American soldiers who died in that war (1914-1918).

Free SPCA Adoptions to Military May 19th- 31st

To celebrate the men and women of the armed services this Memorial Day, the SPCA Serving Erie County is waiving animal adoption fees for individuals on active duty, reserves, service-disabled veterans, or those retired from military services (a \$30 administrative fee will still be required).

The program runs Monday, May 19th through Saturday, May 31st. Military ID must be presented. Ani-

mals can be adopted from any SPCA location, including the 205 Ensminger



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SPORTS

By Bill Snyder

Over the Fence!

After a very successful opening day on May 3rd, the Hertel North Park Youth Baseball League is three weeks into what it hopes to be a great season. With the exception of a few rained out games last week, there aren't too many to make up yet.

"We're in good shape so far," said Don Morris, league president. "I'm not sure whether we'll open a week early again next year, but if we can continue to get these games in, we'll end the season exactly as planned, with a lot of summer left over."

That will be good news for many families in North Buffalo, where the league plays all games at Shoshone Park.

Six divisions are going at Shoshone now, making up nearly 40 teams. There are four boys' divisions and two girls' (pony) divisions. Three other divisions, T-Ball and Rookie for boys and girls ages four and five, are also in the Park twice a week.

In Minor Pony, a girls ten and under division, the Giants have won their first three games and lead a division of three other teams. Saturday, they beat the Yankees 4-3 while the Blue Jays defeated the Reds 6-2. Ella Valente had a big hit for the Jays as the team grabbed second place with a 2-1 record.

In the girls' 12 and under division, Hannah Murphy tossed four innings on the mound and helped rally the Athletics to score three runs in the bottom of the seventh for a 13-12 win over the Rockies on Opening Day. Two days later, Amari DeBerry of the Angels struck out ten Rockies over four innings for an 18-13 victory. However, the Cardinals have jumped out to a 3-0 record and may be the team to beat.

In the Major boys' division, the Reds have won their first five games. They stand alone atop their division with seven other teams and look to be an early season favorite. In their first

two victories against the Yankees and Dodgers, two different players blasted homeruns over the fence on the Butler Mitchell diamond. Max Schmarder did it in game one against the defending champ Yanks in the top of the first, a solo shot to put the Reds on the board. A 2-1 victory in extra innings made Opening Day great for this upstart team. Four days later against the Dodgers, teammate Sean Carey hit his first homerun ever at this level over the fence in a 5-4 victory.

In other games, Santino Hernandez led the Cardinals to their first win over

the Tigers 8-4. The Cubs won their first two games on the hitting of Paul Humphrey, Jackson Alagna and cousins Eddie and Fred Pagan. Frank Williams of the Twins put the ball over the fence as well, a solo shot to lead the team to its first win over the Tigers. Luke Bailey had three hits to help starting pitcher Ezra LaForme on the mound.

In Second Minors, Dallas and Lincoln have picked up right where they left off last year. Both teams were in the finals last season and players like Jadin Mecklenberg, Isreal Blodgett, Damien Smith and Conor Bar-

num led the way in wins over Nashville and Sacramento. Brendan Parker and Kendall Wood both hit two run homeruns and pitchers Xavier Mann and Michael Cannavo combined to lead the Dodgers over Charleston. Also Saturday, Max Lafontaine got the winning hit for Sacramento in a 3-2 victory over Madison.

The Lil Devils defeated the Shamrocks 2-1 and the Rebels defeated the Angels 3-0 in extra innings. Jayda Perry, Bella Mattison and Emerie Ficcorreli helped lead the Rebels in Rookie Pony. More games next time.

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CONSUMER CREDIT TRANSACTION
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF ERIE
Index No. 801613/2013

M&T BANK, Plaintiff,
-against-

MICHAEL C. BARRETT; THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK; JAMES N. OTTLEY; THELMA BARCY; JOLEEN STARZYNSKI; COMMISSIONER OF ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES; MARY VOLTZ; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE TCD – CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT SECTION; NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION AND FINANCE TAX COMPLIANCE DIVISION; “JOHN DOE #1- #50” and “MARY ROE #1- #50”, the last two names being fictitious, said parties intended being tenants or occupants, if any, having or claiming an interest in or lien upon the premises described in the complaint, Defendants.

TO THE DEFENDANT JOLEEN STARZINSKI:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon plaintiff’s attorneys an answer to the complaint in this action within twenty (20) days after the service of this Summons, exclusive of the day of service, or within thirty (30) days after service is complete if the Summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York. The United States of America, if designated as a defendant in this action, may answer or appear within sixty (60) days of service hereof. In case of your failure to answer, judgment will be taken against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. Trial is desired in the County of Erie. The basis of venue designated above is that the real property, which is the subject matter of this action, is located in the County of Erie, New York.

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The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of Honorable Tracy A. Bannister, Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, signed on the 10th day of April, 2014, in Buffalo, New York and to be duly entered in the Erie County Clerk’s Office, in Buffalo, New York. The Nature of this action pertains to a note and mortgage held by Plaintiff on real property owned by the defendant, MICHAEL C. BARRETT. The said defendant has defaulted on the note and mortgage and the plaintiff commenced a foreclosure action. Plaintiff is seeking a judgment foreclosing its mortgage against the real property and premises which situates in the City of Buffalo, County of Erie and State of New York and is commonly known as 321 Mckinley Parkway, Buffalo, New York 14220 and all other relief as to the Court may seem just and equitable.

DATED: April 29, 2014

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